

#101 Montgomery St.,
Newark, N. J.,
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Dear Member:

I am writing to inform you of a situation that has arisen that I feel we all should know about. There was a ball player named Daltie Cooper, a pitcher, hurt on The Eagles Team May 19th in Newark. He was carried on the pay roll for two (2) months and when he was told he was being released, he applied to the New Jersey Workmen's Compensation Bureau and was granted two-thirds of his salary at the time of the accident for twenty-one(21) weeks. His case was a minor one, and his salary very small. If the accident had been more serious and his salary high, the cost of satisfying his claim would have been prohibitive.

I understand the Labor Laws all over demand that the employer carry insurance against injuries, and in case they do not have it and a judgment is obtained, any assets they have in that State can be attached, and if no assets are available, they can be liable for a jail sentence.

This is, of course, the first time I have known of this law, and no doubt some of the rest of you do not know about it. If you investigate and learn any more about it, I would appreciate hearing from you.

When the other ball players learn of the ruling in Cooper's case, they will no doubt all take the same steps in the case of injury. Even corporations are not protected against this, as the Officers are personally liable.

Very truly yours,

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